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30 October 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Science and Technology)

SUBJECT : Daily Activity Report - 30 October 1963

1. ARGON Mission 9059A launched successfully at 1620E on 29 October. Status is normal on rev 8.

2. IDEALIST Mission 3236 covering [redacted]

[redacted] Pilot reported 90% of route in good weather. The film is scheduled to be at [redacted] for processing at approximately 1600E, 30 October.

3. BRASS KNOB Mission 3762 landed at 1232E, 29 October. Pilot estimates 25% of planned route covered. Fifteen per cent of planned coverage lost due to cloud cover, 60% lost due to B-camera malfunction. Film on left side tore; reason unknown at this time.

4. [redacted] - Aircraft and equipment ready, waiting mission alert. Alert briefing will be held at 1400 E today.

5. EDWARDS AFB - One U-2 due back from Barksdale AFB today.

6. [redacted] - Aircraft and equipment ready, waiting mission alert. Alert briefing will be held at 1400 E today.

7. OX CART Status:

- a. No flights were made on 29 October. Three aircraft were scheduled for flights on 29 October, but flights were rescheduled to the following day for the following reasons:

NRO review(s) completed.

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(1) Aircraft #122's flight was canceled when it was decided to install a spike control system instrumentation equipment package;

(2) Aircraft #124's engine preflight ground runs were not yet completed; and

(3) Aircraft #125's flight was aborted because of a radio malfunction encountered just prior to take-off.

b. Aircrafts #122, 124, 125, 127 and 129 are scheduled for flights on 30 October.

c. See attached wire [] for the status of aircraft as of 29 October.

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8. OX CART AIRCRAFT STATUS: See cable insert.

9. OTHER:

a. After receipt of a wire from ITEK on 30 October, [] Contracting Officer of OSA, will prepare a memorandum for the DD/S&T regarding details of the LANYARD termination.

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b. The triple prime camera is being returned to ITEK for inspection following three BRASS KNOB missions over Cuba. The camera will be inspected and readied for within two weeks for delivery to Edwards AFB for mission employment.

c. [] and [] of Hycon, will be visiting OSA on 30 October.

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d. [] and Parangosky are scheduled to visit Perkin-Elmer and ITEK on 31 October and Eastman-Kodak on 1 November regarding a DD/S&T proposed research program.

e. [] visited Wright Patterson AFB on 29 October for the purpose of receiving a briefing on Air Force countermeasure programs.

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